

REMARKS

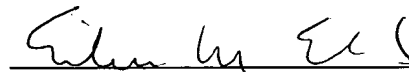
Claim 11 is amended to revise the dependency to that of claim 8, so that it is no longer dependent upon a canceled claim. Withdrawal of the claim objection is requested.

Numerous claims have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1 and 5-9 of U.S. Patent No. 6,696,467 B2. A terminal disclaimer is submitted herewith. As the terminal disclaimer overcomes the rejection, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are requested.

As it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance, issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

A Petition for Extension of Time – 1 month – is enclosed. If the required fees are missing or deficient, please charge our deposit account no. 08-2525.

Respectfully submitted,



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